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CIA's 'Intelligence' Better Than Critics'

Perhaps some of the writers who recently have questioned the "intelligence" of the Central Intelligence Agency should look to their own intelligence instead. For instance, in one paragraph of her column in The Herald on June 13, Marguerite Higgins says that the CIA did not know where Manuel Ray was until after his arrest in the Bahamas. In a later paragraph of this same column she states that Manuel Ray was launched from a CIA "mother-ship," just prior to that arrest.

Those columnists who attempt to downgrade Central Intelligence apparently also downgrade public intelligence, if their criticisms include such obvious inconsistencies as this.

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